

**NELSON COUNTY PARK BOARD MINUTES**  
**May 6, 2020 - 9:00 A.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Ellertson. Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Commissioners Marquart, Klefstad, Fougner and Loibl and Park Board members Maixner and Houdek.

Also present was Dwight Elfman, Jim Hatlestad and Bud Pittenger.

Additions added to the agenda were: build a ramp to the fishing pier, turning the water on at Stump Lake Park and reopening Stump Lake Park.

Moved by Commissioner Klefstad and seconded by Commissioner Marquart to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2020 meeting. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

There was no Park Board meeting in April due to COVID-19.

Dwight Elfman discussed that they plan on opening the bar and café on May 15<sup>th</sup>. He also discussed the COVID-19 policies that they will have to follow in the bar/café once they open.

Dwight discussed that the Pavilion will be closed this summer due to COVID-19.

Dwight discussed that the new COVID-19 policies and guidelines will be handed out to all the campers that they will have to follow.

The board discussed on opening Stump Lake Park. They also discussed on when they will be turning the water on and opening the restrooms.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Park Board member Houdek to turn the water on at the park on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at noon. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Park Board member Maixner and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to only open the restrooms for three hours during the day. The board will look into opening the restrooms longer at the next meeting. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The board discussed the fish cleaning station and docks, which the board decided to keep closed until the next park board meeting.

Dwight discussed that the Stump Lake Park's 100<sup>th</sup> Centennial might be postponed until the summer of 2021.

Jim Hatlestad and Bud Pittenger discussed that the trees at Stump Lake Park have been trimmed.

The board discussed on building a handicap ramp to the fishing pier. Jim and Bub will look into building the ramp.

Moved by Park Board member Houdek and seconded by Park Board member Maixner to approve the liquor and beer licenses for Dwight Elfman for Stump Lake Park Bar & Grill. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded Commissioner Klefstad to pay the park bills as listed: AgCom Credit - \$943.05; Dwight & Sandy Elfman - \$11,287.50.00; Lakota American - \$44.16; Lakota Hardware - \$10.98; Leading Edge Equipment - \$10,000.00; ND Telephone Co - \$72.36; Nodak Electric - \$386.00; Tri-County Water District - \$88.00. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Moved by Park Board member Houdek and seconded by Park Board member Maixner to recess the meeting. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Meeting recessed.

**Park Board Special Meeting**  
**May 20, 2020 - 6:30 P.M.**  
**Stump Lake Park Café**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Ellertson. Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Commissioners Marquart, Klefstad, Fougner, and Loibl and Park Board members Maixner and Houdek.

Also present were Dwight Elfman, Jim Hatlestad, Bud Pittenger, Gayle Klefstad and Gary Vick.

Additions added to the agenda were: COVID-19 quarantine, miniature golf, AED machine, calls from campers, signs at the public beach and playgrounds.

The board discussed on putting the boat docks into the water on May 21, 2020, but will be limited to only so many people at one time due to the COVID-19 policy.

The board discussed on opening the fish cleaning station starting May 21, 2020 but will only be limited to two people at a time while cleaning fish.

The board discussed on opening the restrooms for the whole day instead of a few hours during the day. They also discussed that the bathrooms will be cleaned and sanitized throughout the day.

Moved by Park Board member Maixner and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to open up the boat docks, fish cleaning stations and bathrooms at the park. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The board discussed on allowing overnight campers.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Commissioner Fougner to allow overnight campers. Commissioners Klefstad, Loibl and Fougner voted "Yes". Commissioners Marquart and Ellertson voted "No". Park Board members Maixner and Houdek voted "No". Motion was denied.

The board discussed on allowing overnight campers, but with restrictions. The overnight camping restrictions are: limited amount of overnight campers, screen the overnight campers once they check-in, and overnight campers are supposed to remain at their campsite unless they go to the water or bar/café.

Moved by Commissioner Loibl and seconded by Park Board member Houdek to allow overnight campers but with the restrictions. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The board discussed if a person has tested positive with COVID-19 they will not be able to quarantine at their camper during that time. If the person gets caught, their spot will be terminated immediately and they will be asked to remove everything from the park.

Moved by Park Board member Maixner and seconded by Park Board member Houdek that a person cannot quarantine at their camper if they have tested positive with COVID-19. If caught, they will be terminated immediately from their campsite. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

The board discussed on opening the playgrounds at Stump Lake Park.

Moved by Commissioner Marquart and seconded by Park Board member Maixner to keep the playgrounds closed until further notice. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Park Board member Maixner discussed on having a contest with the seasonal campers on fixing the miniature golf, located behind the bar/café at Stump Lake Park. She discussed that she will visit with the seasonal campers and see if they would be interested in

sponsoring a miniature golf hole to fix it up for a prize. The campers would get a few weeks to complete their project. Once the miniature golf sponsored project is completed they will then pick a winner.

Park Board member Maixner discussed getting an AED machine at Stump Lake Park that would be available to the campers at all times. She discussed that she will get more information on the AED machine for the board.

Moved by Park Board member Houdek and seconded by Commissioner Klefstad to adjourn the meeting. All members voted "Yes". Motion carried.

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Jenny Wigen, Secretary

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Bruce Ellertson, Chairman